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In response to the office action mailed February 28, 2002, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

(Amended) A method comprising:

receiving an electronic/indication of an inventory

allocation;

completing a plurality of on-line sales transactions against said allocation; and

in response to the depletion of said allocation, automatically requesting additional inventory allocation.

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

The method of claim 1 wherein receiving an (Amended) electronic indication of an inventory allocation includes receiving said allocation over a network.

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